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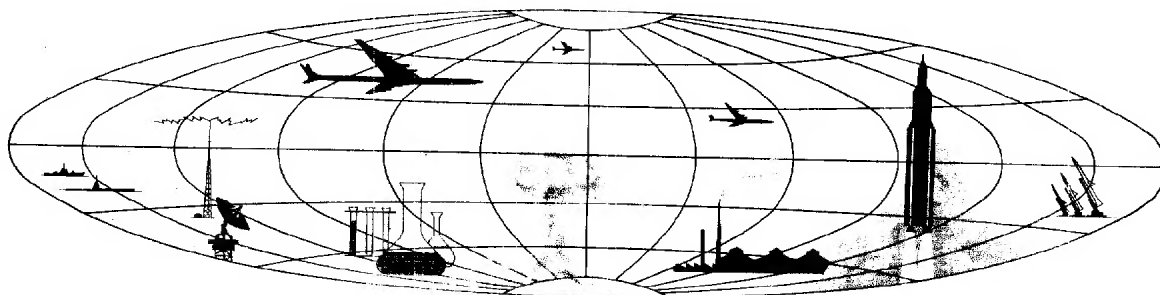
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3566, DATED 22 APRIL 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

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TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SITE APPEARS OCCUPIED.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

HAVANA SAM SITE 2309N 08213W

SITE ABANDONED.  
NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER, A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY-SEVEN MISSILE TRANSPORTERS AND NUMEROUS  
MISSILE CANISTERS OBSERVED.

25X1D

HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 6 MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS (4 CANVAS-COVERED), AND AN OCCUPIED  
GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 6 CANVAS-COVERED  
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA,  
AND 11 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS.

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MAJANA SAM SITE 2241N 08249W

SIX CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE MISSILE TRANSPORTER,  
AND 11 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.  
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMPO FLORIDO CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

SITE CONTAINS 2 LAUNCHERS, 8 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
AT LEAST 10 CANVAS-COVERED CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES (2  
POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL CRATES), AND 10 PRIME MOVERS.

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GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES COUNT OF CRATES AND VEHICLES.

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-AIRFIELDS-

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HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 7 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE LIAISON/TRAINER.

[REDACTED]

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 34 FISHBED, 3 FARMER, 20 FAGOT/FRESCO,  
11 B-26, 3 T-6, AND 6 UNIDENTIFIED SINGLE-ENGINE  
AIRCRAFT.

[REDACTED]

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CONSTELLATION, 2 C-54, 4 C-46, ONE CAB,  
ONE COOT, ONE BRITANNIA, 4 CRATE, ONE LODESTAR, ONE  
CESSNA 310, ONE BEECHCRAFT, 3 LIAISON/TRAINER,  
AND ONE B-26.

[REDACTED]

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE PBV, 3 CRATE, 2 CAB, 8 COLT, AND  
37 LIAISON/TRAINER.

[REDACTED]

MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.  
APPROXIMATELY 70 VEHICLES AT EAST END OF RUNWAY.

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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 62 HOUND, 7 HARE, 2 BELL HELICOPTER,  
ONE C-47, ONE CRATE, AND ONE HOUND (MINUS ROTOR).

[REDACTED]

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 2 PF, 2 PC, AND 11 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG.

[REDACTED]

PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N 08218W

VESSELS -- ONE PROBABLE COASTAL PASSENGER VESSEL.

[REDACTED]

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 19 LARGE FREIGHTERS (ONE IN DRY DOCK), 7  
COASTAL FREIGHTERS, 4 TRAWLERS, ONE 3-MASTED SQUARE-

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RIGGED SAILING VESSEL (APPROXIMATELY 150 FT LONG), 6  
PT, 3 PC, ONE COASTAL TANKER, ONE LARGE TANKER, ONE  
PF, AND ONE KOMAR-CLASS PGMG ON MARINE RAILWAY.

[REDACTED]

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS (ONE DOCKED AT CAYO JUAN  
CLARO AND ONE ANCHORED NEAR CAYO JUAN CLARO).  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
AT LEAST 27 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE OBSERVED -- 10 LARGE,  
ONE MEDIUM, AND ONE SMALL TENT, AT LEAST 21 TANKS/SP  
GUNS, 4 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED VEHICLES, 2 PROBABLE  
FROG LAUNCHERS, 4 PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
137 CARGO TRUCKS, 8 UTILITY TRUCKS, 56 UNIDENTIFIED  
VEHICLES, 14 CARGO TRAILERS, 11 PROBABLE CARGO  
TRAILERS, 54 8-WHEELED APC, 2 LOWBOY TRAILERS,

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AND APPROXIMATELY 30 PIECES OF UNIDENTIFIED EQUIPMENT. IN ADDITION, A TOTAL OF 38 LARGE AND 6 MEDIUM TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE) WERE OBSERVED IN THE MAIN CAMP. THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES REMAIN OCCUPIED. SHADOW AND FOLIAGE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 25 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08252W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
SEVEN VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

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THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE  
HAZE AND SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE OBSERVED -- 14 LARGE, 23 MEDIUM, AND 14 SMALL TENTS, 32 TANKS/SP GUNS, 10 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED VEHICLES, ONE PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTER, 2 PROBABLE FROG LAUNCHERS, 9 SNAPPERS, 14 FA PIECES, 5 AAA PIECES, 238 CARGO TRUCKS, 25 UTILITY TRUCKS, 9 POL TRUCKS, 2 VAN TRUCKS, 10 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 21 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 13 CARGO TRAILERS, ONE VAN TRAILER, AND 5 TRUCK-MOUNTED TREADWAY BRIDGES. FOLIAGE PRECLUDES VERIFICATION OF 4 ADDITIONAL PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS. THE 6-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS OCCUPIED. APPROXIMATELY 150 PERSONNEL WERE OBSERVED MARCHING IN

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FORMATION TOWARD THE MAIN CAMP FROM THE DIRECTION OF THE ENCAMPMENT .8 NM NORTH. ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL OR EQUIPMENT WERE OBSERVED ON THE PARADE GROUND. THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN THE ENCAMPMENT LOCATED .8 NM NORTH OF THE MAIN CAMP. APPROXIMATELY 100 PERSONNEL WERE OBSERVED IN THE ENCAMPMENT 2.3 NM SE OF THE MAIN CAMP, BUT THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN THE COUNT OF TENTS OR VEHICLES.

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MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08211W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE OBSERVED -- 27 LARGE, 7 MEDIUM, AND 8 SMALL TENTS, 11 TANKS/SP GUNS, 3 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED VEHICLES, 4 PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 42 CARGO TRUCKS, 8 UTILITY TRUCKS, 26 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND 10 TRUCK-MOUNTED TREADWAY BRIDGES. IN ADDITION, 12 LARGE AND 2 MEDIUM TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET-TYPE) WERE OBSERVED IN THE MAIN CAMP AREA. THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES REMAIN OCCUPIED.

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SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE OBSERVED IN THE AREAS LISTED BELOW --  
REFORMATORY PROPER -- 27 LARGE, 12 MEDIUM, AND 6 SMALL TENTS, 9 VAN TRUCKS, AND 14 UNIDENTIFIED

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VEHICLES.  
MOTOR PARK AND BILLETING AREA .3 NM SOUTH -- 10 LARGE, 18 MEDIUM, AND ONE SMALL TENT, 126 CARGO TRUCKS, 23 UTILITY TRUCKS, 46 VAN TRUCKS, 6 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 6 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND 25 CARGO TRAILERS.  
MOTOR PARK .7 NM SSW -- ONE MEDIUM AND 5 SMALL TENTS, 30 CARGO TRUCKS, 3 UTILITY TRUCKS, 2 POL TRUCKS, 37 VAN TRUCKS, 37 VAN TRUCKS, 3 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 12 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 7 CARGO TRAILERS, AND 3 VAN TRAILERS.  
MOTOR PARK .9 NM SE -- 64 CARGO TRUCKS, ONE UTILITY TRUCK, 9 VAN TRUCKS, 101 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND 7 CARGO TRAILERS.  
AAA SITE 1.5 NM SSE -- 2 LARGE, ONE MEDIUM, AND ONE SMALL TENT, 14 CARGO TRUCKS, ONE VAN TRUCK, 10 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, ONE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE, AND 4 CARGO TRAILERS. THE 6-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS OCCUPIED.  
BILLETING AREA 1.9 NM SOUTH -- 16 LARGE, 6 MEDIUM, AND 12 SMALL TENTS, 55 CARGO TRUCKS, 29 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 3 POSSIBLE K-61 TRACKED AMPHIBIANS, AND 3 PROBABLE HEAVY PONTON BRIDGES.  
MOTOR PARK 1.2 NM SW -- 19 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 24 CARGO TRUCKS.

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MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

APPROXIMATELY 300 VEHICLES OBSERVED.  
INCOMPLETE COVERAGE DUE TO GAP IN PHOTOGRAPHY.

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NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

AREA CONTAINS 15 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 14 VEHICLES.

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GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2311N 08203W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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CAMPO FLORIDO, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

CAMP CONTAINS 16 TANKS/SP GUNS AND APPROXIMATELY  
20 VEHICLES.

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BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

CAMP CONTAINS 21 FA PIECES AND 32 VEHICLES.

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GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

EAST AREA -- 30 SMALL TANKS/SP GUNS, 41 VEHICLES,  
AND 25 PRIME MOVERS.  
WEST AREA -- 21 FA PIECES AND 35 VEHICLES.

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LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

CAMP CONTAINS 2 LOWBOY TRAILERS AND APPROXIMATELY  
90 VEHICLES.

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HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

AREA 1 -- 12 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 58 VEHICLES.  
AREA 2 -- 6 VEHICLES.  
AREA 3 -- 23 CANVAS-COVERED TANKS/SP GUNS  
AND 7 VEHICLES.  
AREA 4 -- 21 FA PIECES.

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SPECIAL AREA TANGO 2258N 08244W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY IN AREA.



-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 100 VEHICLES IN CENTRAL AREA.



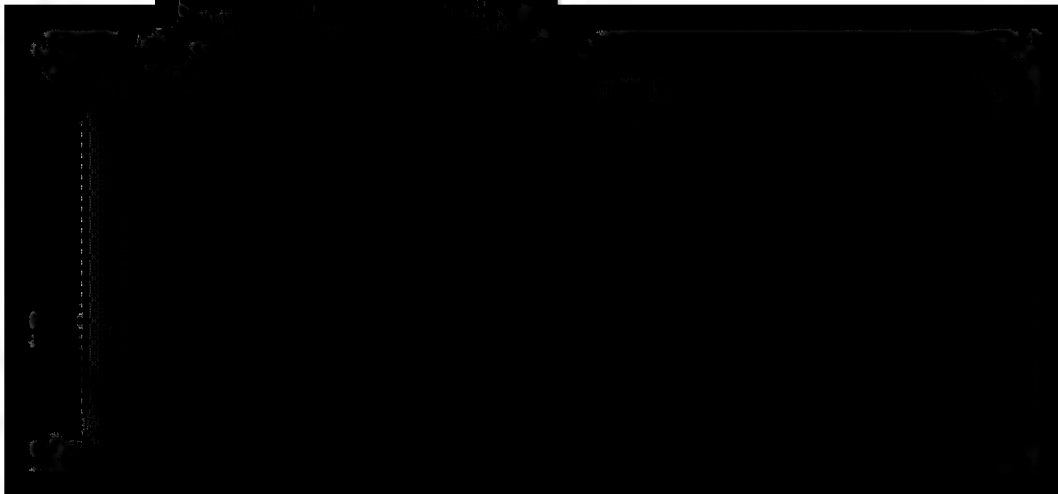
MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.



BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
FORTY-TWO VEHICLES IN HEADQUARTERS AREA.



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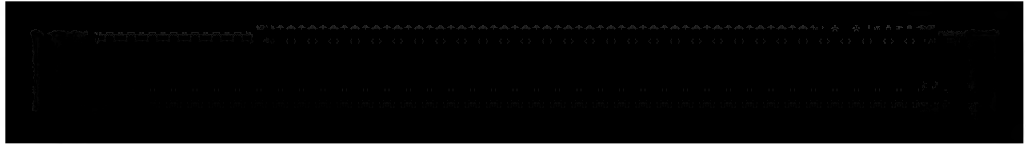
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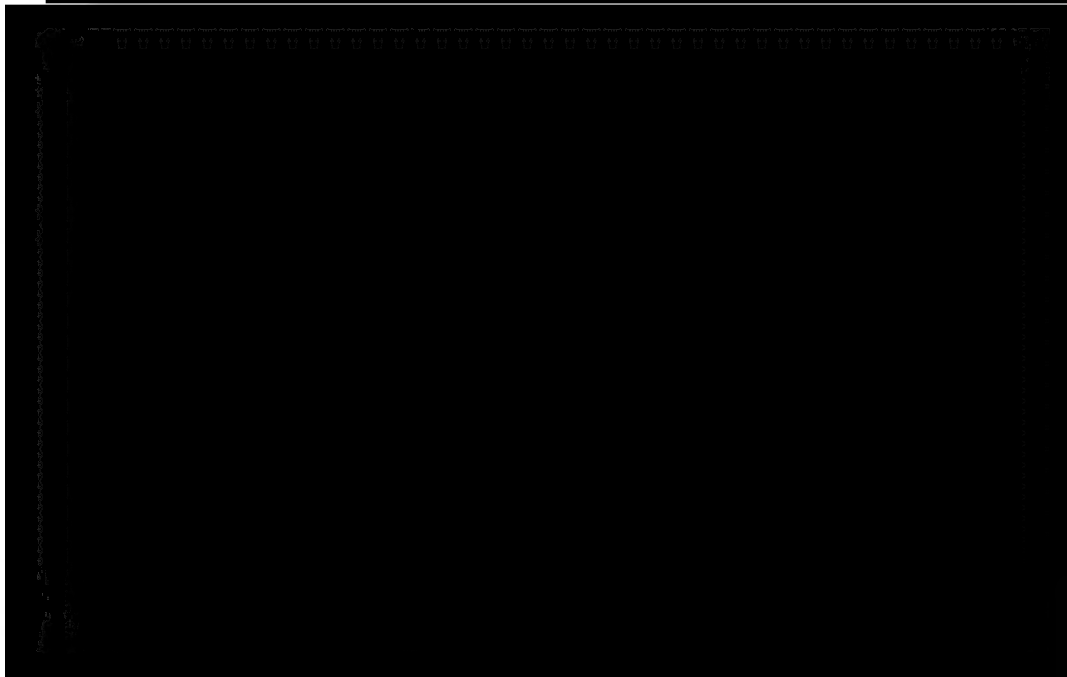
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CABANAS, SECURED AREA U/C 2258N 08258W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
THE 16 UNIDENTIFIED CRATES REMAIN.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE  
LAST COVERAGE --

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GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1	2257N 08239W
REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4	2246N 08258W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2	2257N 08236W
CHAPARRA SAM SITE	2107N 07626W
HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	2300N 08226W
HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA	2301N 08226W
SPECIAL AREA ALPHA	2258N 08227W
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL	2301N 08246W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE	2250N 08233W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED	2254N 08231W
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR	2300N 08234W
TARARA LANDING BEACH	2310N 08212W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2224N 07953W
LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION	2301N 08245W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

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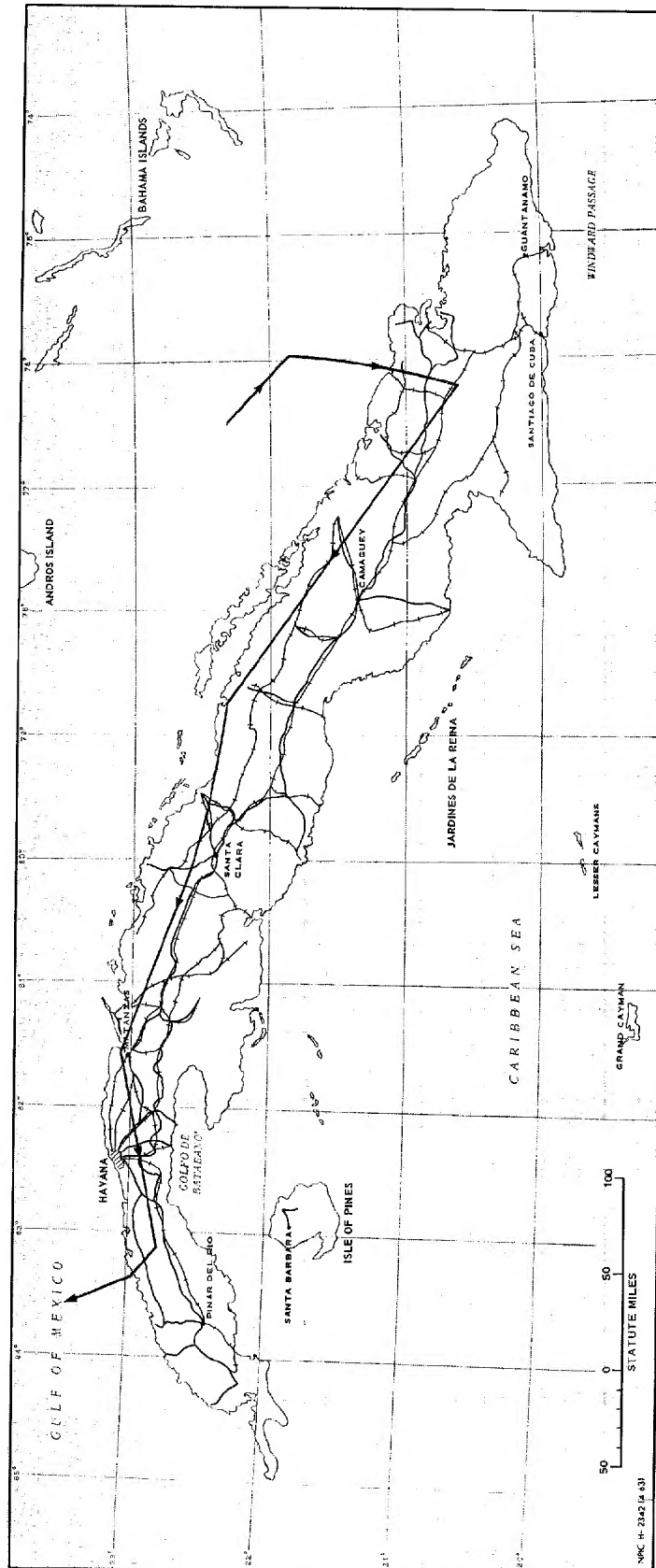
BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08311W
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